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Nurture intellectual growth, moral integrity among students LG exhorts educators for transforming education system

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Thursday addressed the Spiritual and Value Education Summit at New Delhi.

In his inaugural address, the Lieutenant Governor exhorted the distinguished scholars and educators for transforming the education system into a holistic framework to nurture intellectual growth and moral integrity among students.

"Seamless integration of ethics and value in education is crucial to create an enlightened society and a powerful nation. Without the fine balance of our ancient value system and modern skills it is impossible to sustain and further long-run economic growth.

Value based education will enable students to explore their true strength. It will



LG Manoj Sinha addressing at Spiritual and Value Education Summit at New Delhi on Thursday.

help in character building and inspire them for righteous living. This holistic education system can take the nation on growth trajectory and bring about the changes necessary for a developed nation," the Lieutenant Governor said.

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Higher reaches of Kashmir get fresh snowfall, plains lashed by rain

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: A few areas in the higher reaches of Kashmir received fresh snowfall, while rains lashed the plains on Thursday, officials said.

The famous ski resort of Gulmarg in north Kashmir's Baramulla, Gurez in Bandipora, and a few other places received fresh snowfall overnight that

continued till morning, they said.

They said most plains, including Srinagar, were lashed by moderate to heavy rains.



Owing to the heavy snowfall in Gurez, and the

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Three injured in Pahalgam wall collapse

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Three people were injured after a portion of a retention wall collapsed in the tourist resort town of Pahalgam in Anantnag district on Thursday, officials said.

A portion of the retention wall near the Pahalgam taxi stand collapsed due to incessant rain, they said.

Three people were injured in the wall collapse, the officials said and added they had been admitted to a hospital.

HOLIDAY NOTICE

The offices of STATE TIMES Group of Publications shall remain closed on March 14, 2025 (Friday) on the occasion of Holi festival. Therefore, there will be no issue of your newspaper on March 15, 2025 (Saturday). STATE TIMES wishes you all a prosperous and colourful Holi.



CB books 2 including teacher for duping innocent people of providing Govt jobs

Total 10 FIRs registered, history sheet, personal file opened against Govt teacher

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Crime Branch (CB) on Thursday booked two accused, including a notorious fraudster Teacher for duping innocent people on the pretext of providing government jobs.

"Among two accused booked in two separate cases registered in CB included notorious fraudster Jameel Anjum, son of Nasir Ahmad, resident of Ustad Mohalla, Jammu against whom ten cases

have been registered in Police Station EOW, SCW and Pacca Danga Jammu out of which three cases stand challaned in the court of law whereas seven cases are still under investigation," a CB official said.

A "History Sheet" has also been registered against accused government school Teacher Jameel Anjum at Police Station Pacca Danga Jammu, the official added. Besides, one "Personal File" under rules has been

opened by Crime Branch against this notorious fraudster involved in series of cases of criminal conspiracies, frauds, cheating, forgery and impersonation, official said adding that he has been booked on the written complaint of Rashid Manhas from Gujjar Nagar Jammu who alleged that he had been duped of huge amount and gold items by this fraudster Teacher on the pretext of providing Govt jobs him and to his sister.

Another accused, booked for duping innocent complainant Sunil Kumar from Suchetgarh, Jammu on the pretext of providing Govt job, is Masroor Ahmad, son of Mohd Shabir, resident of Ghambir Moghla, District Rajouri.

Senior Superintendent of Police Crime Jammu Benam Tosh confirmed that two separate cases : case FIR No. 15/2025 and case FIR No.16 /2025 have been registered to conduct thorough investigations.

No domicile certificate issued to non-locals in Magam, Narbal; 52 issued in Beerwah on marriage basis: Sakeena

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Government on Thursday informed the House that no non-local resident has been issued a Domicile certificate in Magam and Narbal areas of Budgam district.

This was started by, Minister for Health and Education, Sakina Itoo, while replying to a question raised by Dr. Shafi Ahmad Wani.

She informed that 18921 Domicile Certificates have been issued in Narbal and 26277 in Magam saying that no Domicile Certificate has been issued to non-local



residents in these two Tehsils.

The Minister said that 62343 Domicile certificates

have been issued in Beerwah including 52 to non-locals on marriage basis.

Tourism promotion in Srinagar city key focus of my Govt: Omar

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Thursday stated that the government is prioritizing the promotion of religious and tourism places in Srinagar city to boost tourism and attract more visitors.

"Places like Dal, Nishat, Shalimar, Chashmashahi, Pari Mahal, shrines, temples, gurdwaras, and other landmarks define the uniqueness of Srinagar. We are committed to promoting these destinations," the Chief Minister said in Legislative Assembly while responding to a query raised by Member Ali Mohammad Sagar regarding the tourism sector's role in J&K's economy and the steps taken to enhance tourist inflow.

The Chief Minister empha-

sized that tourism is a key pillar of J&K's economy, significantly contributing to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and employment generation.

"The sector provides direct and indirect livelihood opportunities including hotel staff, tour operators, taxi drivers, souvenir vendors, and local youth," he said.

He further informed the House that efforts are underway to diversify the tourism sector by promoting various forms of tourism, including Adventure tourism.

MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions) tourism, Golf tourism, Eco-tourism, Pilgrimage tourism and Cultural and Heritage tourism.

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Matter taken up with MHA to transfer portion of debt, liabilities to Ladakh UT: CM

Finalization of JKAS departmental examination syllabus in final stages

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Thursday informed the Legislative Assembly that a committee had been constituted to ensure the transparent distribution of assets, liabilities and budget between the Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh following the reorganization.

Responding to a query from Member Qaysar Jamshaid Lone regarding the apportionment of assets, liabilities and loans, the Chief Minister said that the process is being carried out in accordance with Notification SO-339 of GAD, dated October 30, 2020.

"The apportionment was to be conducted in a manner to ensure a fair transfer of assets, liabilities and budget between the two UTs. After completion of the process, an official gazette notification was issued on October 31,



CM Omar Abdullah responding to a query at J&K assembly session on Thursday.

2020," he said.

The Chief Minister, who also holds the portfolio of Finance Minister, further

₹2,504.46 crore are to be transferred to the UT of Ladakh. The matter has been taken up with the

Land allotment for IEs conducted as per Policy

informed that most of the committee's recommendations have already been implemented.

"Regarding the apportionment of public debt, financial liabilities amounting to

that the finalization of the syllabus for the 2018-24 batches of J&K Administrative Services is in its final stages, and the examinations will be conducted soon thereafter.

He acknowledged the delays but assured that the process is now nearing completion.

"The government has gradually streamlined these processes, which had been delayed for some time. However, the complexity of the revision caused an unavoidable delay. This is the first syllabus revision since 2000-after nearly 25 years-which required significant changes," he said.

He further explained that the administration conducted a comparative analysis of J&K's syllabus with those of other States and Union Territories to ensure alignment with national

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